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Staff Meeting Notes 1430 hours, 25 March 1953 Room 2125 "H"

Item

Discussion

Action

SE-38

Information

Mr. Cuthe reported that the ETC Electronics Subcommittee completed its contribution to SE-38, "Probable Soviet Courses of Action in Electromagnetic Warfare." He commented on the long hours and hard work which went into this contribution and on the value of the material it contained.

NIE-59

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Information

Mr. Guthe reported that is meeting with ONE and the IAC representatives to review the redraft of NIE-59, "Probable Effects of a Severance of East-West Trade," and that it looks as though this Estimate may soon be completed.

EIC-R1-S2

Information

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Mr. Guthe announced that, beginning 20 April, ETC reprewill meet to prepare sentatives the second supplement to ETC-R-1, "Status and Effectiveness of Trade Controls Against Communist China."

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representation will include CIA, State, ONI and CINCPAC. meetings will last from three to five weeks.

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Information

Mr. Guthe announced that a proposal has been made and arrangements are under way for

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to visit CIA to discuss longterm trends in the Soviet economy.

Statistical Confidence in Estimates — NIE-65 and NIE-90

Mr. Guthe explained ONE's requirement for a statement on reliability of estimates furnished in contributions to NIE's and SE's. The first of these has been requested for NIE-65, and D/A has prepared a proposed appendix to NIE-65 assigning reliability categories to Estimates submitted for this study. Copies of this draft will be distributed

D/A to distribute draft appendix to NIE-65. Divisions to review and comment. immediately.

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to the contributing divisions for their review and comments. The appendix is due in ONE within one week. Estimates in NIE-90 will also have to be supported by a statement on margins of error. A standard procedure will have to be worked out to furnish information on confidence limits for all future NIE's and SE's.

NIE-90

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Details for implementing

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will be discus-

Mr. Guthe pointed out that individual division contributions to NIE-90, "Appendices for Estimate of Soviet Bloc Capabilities Through Mid-1955," are due by 2 April.

Exploitation of Captured Japanese Documents

exploitation of captured documents had been made which will would provide for the selecting out of all statistical sed tables, translation of title of table, columnar headings and source, and the reproduction of these tables for wide distribution. It is intended that a pilot study to determine effectiveness of this method of exploitation will be made for some 18,000 captured Japanese documents held by FDD. It was suggested by that maps might also 25X1A9a be photographed during this operation.

Recruitment

Information

I'r. Guthe stressed the continued need for recruitment and pointed out that, although we have been encumbering slots at a fairly steady rate, we have also been losing candidates through declinations and turn-downs for one reason or another. He urged division chiefs to keep this problem in the forefront and to try to keep recruited up to T/O strength as nearly as possible.

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